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NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

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STATE OF MINNESOTA

Executive Department

A PROCLAMATION FOR LIBRARY WEEK IN MINNESOTA

WHEREAS, reading and the rewards of reading are receiving nation-wide attention climaxing during National Library Week; and

WHEREAS, books, newspapers, magazines and other forms of good reading are essential to the transmission and dissemination of our accumulated knowledge and wisdom; and

WHEREAS, the freedom to read is one of our most cherished liberties; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota is now in the midst of a long-range program to extend and improve public library services for all citizens in order that good reading may be in ample supply and readily available to all;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Orville L. Freeman, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of March 16 through 22nd, 1958, as

LIBRARY WEEK IN MINNESOTA

And urge all citizens to join in this important observance through a visit to their public library and support of its programs this week and during the entire year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this third day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight and of the state, the one hundredth.

(Signed) Orville L. Freeman
Governor

(Signed) Joseph L. Donovan
Secretary of State

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

March 16-22, 1958

Johnny Can Read--But What?

MRS. ZOLA A. GRONDAHL,
R.F.D. Staples, Minn.

If you live in a town of under ten thousand people, how far is it to a library? Are you sure you may borrow a book when you get there? Or are you one of the million and a half people in Minnesota who has inadequate library service, or none at all?

A generation ago, many of our people in the state were immigrants. They came from foreign countries and were woodsmen, hunters, farmers. They read the Bible and a foreign language newspaper or they read not at all. Now we are faced with better transportation, an upswing in communication between town and country. The cross roads store no longer suffices as a medium of information. Here and there, the little white school houses disappeared or were closed forever. The big orange school bus began to roll down the shady lanes and along back country by-roads. The frustrated experts and disillusioned parents agree that Johnny can't read, but the fact is, more Johnnies are trying than ever before. Today twenty-five percent of our total population is in school. The upswing is greater in rural areas. Many of our rural people are high school graduates or higher. They read widely and they read well. But the rich dwell sparsely in rural villages or open country. Large or selective personal libraries are impossible.

Ever since Andrew Carnegie gave of his millions to start them, public libraries have been commonly accepted by the larger municipalities. Even smaller towns have some library service, but few have given much thought to the rural people and those in small towns. The farmer is often called the forgotten man in an economic sense, but where adequate library service is concerned, the rural people are worse than forgotten; they are ignored.

Last year in one county, an off-campus course was offered to help enlarge the ever shrinking list of teachers. Transportation was available, students were willing, the college level staff could be brought to town. But, without inquiry, the course was set

up to use local library books. No such service was available in the entire county. The one small local library had never loaned books to anyone outside the village limits. As the off-campus students were from out of town, they were out of bounds for library service. Many of these small libraries with such limited service have existed for so long, complacency has grown very large.

In some whole counties there is not a single place where farm people may borrow books. In the Dark Ages, the Bible was chained in place, and the common person could only admire. Today it is the encyclopedia and serious reference works of more than one volume which you must go to the library to use. If in the midst of a busy schedule, the farmer or busy housewife can make a certain day and a certain hour, for a few moments the encyclopedia is available to copy down notes.

But over 750,000 people in Minnesota have no library of any kind except mail service from the state library. Still more have only limited local service. A million and a half people in Minnesota have almost no library service or none at all.

Who are these? The doctor, the lawyer, the merchant chief, the farmer and his wife; the teachers, and others with Master's Degrees, anxious for study; those trying to become teachers with higher certificates; ministers of the gospel, wishing to keep up with art, literature and current events; the free lance writer, and people trying to refresh or learn many subjects; the history hobbyist who cannot afford Winston Churchill's works and finds them unborrowable; the science student trying to do deeper research; all these, and many more only interested in lighter reading, either cannot afford to buy, or are running out of storage space for too many book club offerings. Most people like to read current books, but few find many treasures enough to keep. In the past ten years more books have been published than ever before. But books and people need to be brought together.

What steps have been taken to bring library service to this great area of the untouched? Money is available in fairly generous quantities on a state and federal level to bring greater facilities to small town and farm people. It remains now to inform people that such privileges may be had and how to get them. Thousands of children still attend one room schools with only a few library books and no other source of supply.

In the American tradition, people do not like to see federal or even state governments completely take over such projects. Americans like to keep the reins as close to home as possible. Therefore the local county is expected to produce a one mill, and not to exceed two mills, tax to promote and support such service. When the library board is set up and the tax voted, application can then be made for a grant from federal and state funds. The one mill tax, to the individual, is often only a few cents. The grant will run about one dollar per capita. For this reason the plan is promoted as a "Multi-County Library Plan." Three or four counties working together can provide broader and more economical service than a one county system.

Bookmobiles seem to fascinate many people. In addition to a central library service with many books, films, records, and magazines, the bookmobile may be used to effectively distribute books to various book-centers, to bring books right out into rural communities and to rural schools. Bookmobiles may make as many as twice monthly trips to the same community. Inter-library loan would bring almost to the door of the borrower, the unusual, the deeper

book desired only by the few, but perhaps more valuable for that very reason. Material could be brought from as far away as Washington, D. C.

Records, films, clippings, and pamphlets, as well as magazines should be a part of every library. The larger service could supply several hundred phonograph records and films.

Half the people of this great state have inadequate library service. Something far below the standards visualized by the Multi-County Plan. One fourth of our people have no library at all. We are no longer a backwoods people. It is time we demanded modern service in cultural fields. A good widespread library service could avoid such embarrassing incidents as fell to the rural church youth group. They elected to put the finishing touches on an inspirational campaign by a guest minister from the big city with a film. The title suggested a spiritual topic, but the touching note of fellowship and brotherhood planned for the climax was disrupted by throwing on the screen a complete advertisement—and advertisement alone—of high grade sewer pipe. The film had been obtained from an unreliable source. Churches devoted to total abstinence have ordered high sounding films and found themselves advertising alcoholic beverages.

Funds are available now to bring service which would avoid such distasteful incidents as well as opening comprehensive vistas of information, delight, and drama from a trustworthy source. But the organizational work remains. The harvest is ready. Put in the sickle and reap.

Mrs. D. J. Fairfield Writes About Her Library

Her bread dough was left to take care of itself when Mrs. D. J. Fairfield, Wayzata, Minnesota, was informed that National Library Week was just around the corner.

A widow with two children and one grandchild, Mrs. Fairfield is considered one of the best gardeners in Wayzata. Her early American pine-paneled house is surrounded with roses. The sunroom has been turned into an inside garden and is a riot of gloxiniias and African violets.

An ex-fashion coordinator for one of the

leading Minneapolis stores, she is an enthusiastic library booster. She was baking bread when her local librarian asked her to help in promotion of National Library Week, March 16 through 22. The dough was set aside while Mrs. Fairfield put down her thoughts about libraries:

"Recently I was talking to a good friend of mine about the help and pleasure one can get from our new library.

"I wondered if I could have been carried away in my enthusiasm so I started taking

stock as it were in my own mind, and here are some of the things that are important to me personally.

"First, anyone can understand my enthusiasm of our new library building itself. All the thought, time and work that went into making it a thing of beauty and convenience is most certainly appreciated by all of us who are so privileged to use it.

"Three walls of books and one of glass overlooking the lake, a log fireplace, and comfortable chairs give it a restful feeling inviting leisurely selection of the latest novels, books on do it yourself, gardening and the heavier reading matter.

"And, very important, capable pleasant help in finding just what one is searching for.

"As for myself I decided a few months ago that I would like to make a year around garden of my sunroom. After I had the initial work done as to plant shelves on three sides of the room, etc., then came the problem of suitable plants. How to find out? Of course, our library.

"I had north, south and west exposures and with the wonderful help of books on house gardening—with great detail and illustrations as to the proper plants for each exposure—I proceeded on the suggestions and advice and now have a pretty year around garden that I call 'my sanctuary.'

"Then I went a little farther; I thought a couple of parakeets would add charm and friendliness to my too quiet home.

"I knew little about these birds. Again the library helped me so I could select and care for them with intelligence. Now here I am with my pretty garden, two talking parakeets, and full of thanks to 'my' library.

"Any books not on hand at the time you are in can be ordered and in an amazing short time one can pick them up.

"Magazines, of course, all you could ask for are in evidence on broad, low tables, with chairs drawn up for one's convenience in selection. I am quite sure I haven't overdone in enthusiasm—quite the contrary.

"The many of us who constantly use our library for our pleasure and our problems—we find it of inestimable value."

Only YOU can create a Better-Read America

Preview of the 1958 MLA Meeting

The Fifty-seventh annual meeting of the Medical Library Association will be held in Rochester, Minnesota, from June 2 through June 6, 1958 with headquarters at the Hotel Kahler. The theme of the Rochester meeting will be "Advances in Medical Library Practice." Mr. Thomas E. Keys, Librarian of the Mayo Clinic is Convention Chairman and letters of inquiry should be addressed to him.

A pre-convention activity is being planned for Saturday, May 31. A series of refresher courses embracing many fields of medical library work will be given. Classes will be made up from the following subjects: Administration, Acquisitions, Classification, Cataloging, Non-book materials, Photoduplication, Public Relations, Reference Work, Rare Books, History of Medicine, Bibliographic Services, Periodicals, Binding, Library Architecture, Equipment, and Medical Terminology.

It will be possible for each participant to take four courses during the day, two in the morning and two in the afternoon. Each session will be 1½ hours in length, the hour for a prepared lecture and a half hour for a discussion period.

Among the highlights of the regular program will be a panel discussion on what the medical specialists expect from the Medical Library. Speakers will be from the Mayo Clinic Staff. A one-day trip is being planned to Minneapolis and St. Paul with visits to the University of Minnesota, The James J. Hill Reference Library and the Ramsey County Medical Library.

After a day in the Twin Cities the remainder of the program will be held in Rochester. There will be a Symposium on The Medical Center Library, and a session on American Medical History and Medical Librarianship.

Arrangements are being made for pre and post convention tours for those who may wish to explore some of the natural beauty of Minnesota. All medical librarians are cordially invited to attend.

Public Library Statistics, 1957

Public library statistics, in the mass, do not always reveal their implications easily. And uniformity of tabulating can make some of the statistics relatively meaningless. An example of the first is seen in the figures given for circulation per capita; an example of the second is seen in per capita expenditures for library service in communities under 10,000 population. For this reason, the statistical tables are introduced with this brief interpretation.

It may appear mercenary to some people to begin with public library finance, but without financial support there would be no libraries, and without adequate financial support there can be no adequate library service. The basic fact in this picture is that only four library organizations now meet the minimum standard for size under the Minnesota Plan. These are, of course, the libraries in cities of the first class (Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth) and the Hennepin County Library. The per capita expenditures for these libraries are the only ones in the tables which have real significance. The range is from less than minimum adequate support in Duluth to reasonably excellent support in the Twin Cities. The levels of library service which result sustain the validity of the figures quoted in connection with recently published standards.

In libraries of all size groups, the expenditures per capita have increased over last year. There are a few individual library instances of decrease, but they are exceptions. The percentages of increase average out at 4.8% for all public libraries. Actual increases were concentrated in the 75 largest libraries. The most substantial increases were in the 5,000-10,000 population grouping and in the county libraries. There was only a slight increase (less than 1%) in the income of the 120 smallest libraries. Since these are already the most inadequate of our libraries, and since their income is not even keeping up with the increased costs of personnel and books, it is obvious that they are falling even further behind. It is to be hoped that a great many of these situations can be substantially improved with the development of library systems as provided for in the state-federal aid program.

As stated above, general county library income shows a substantial increase. This does not include the newly established Anoka County Library money which will

not show up in the figures until next year. In spite of the fact that in every part of the state, the maximum permissive 2-mill tax rate is necessary to provide sufficient funds for even minimum adequate library service, there are still only six counties which provide this much library support. In the other 11 counties which support library service with a tax levy, the provision ranges from as low as half-a-mill to close to the maximum. Many of these levys reflect a lack of progressive planning on the part of the library and the library board, while others probably reflect the attitude of the taxing authorities toward library service.

While current income actually decreased in the case of five counties, the actual expenditures decreased in only four counties. With one exception, Itasca, these were not the same counties. The Itasca situation reflects a decline in assessed valuation since the county is assessing the full two mills. In the other instances, the most general explanation is that the library had maintained a substantial balance from previous years, and as a result the local levy was lowered. It is obvious that if expenditures increased while income was lowered, that the library had a balance to live on. This points to what has been a major factor in library budgeting in many places. In the first year of operation, a county library must of necessity carry forward a sufficient balance to sustain operations until the new tax money is available in March. But after that first year, a continuing balance of any major proportions is indicative of unsound budgeting, and taxing officials have the right to ask of a library board why they need new money when they did not spend the old. A small operating reserve is one thing; a balance which approaches annual expenditures in volume is another. Reserve funds being built up for major capital expenditures are often permitted by governing officials, but these should be shown as transfers to the reserve account rather than balances on hand.

However, it must be emphasized that most county libraries spend more money each year than their income from county taxes alone, since they have other sources of income, such as fines and non-resident fees. The apparent general discrepancy between income and expenditure in the tables is more than accounted for by expenditures

of county funds by public libraries under contract which do not report these expenditures separate from city expenditures. There are 11 libraries in this category.

Library Use

The trend in library use since 1930 reveals an interesting fluctuation. Using 1930 as the base year, (3.2 books per capita) a chart of circulation shows two high peaks. One of these came in 1933, at the depth of the Depression, when people were drawing heavily upon public libraries as a solace or to take their minds off their financial troubles. The second came in 1939 at the height of the activity of the WPA library program which provided much additional personnel and equipment to help get books out to people in a great many areas. The difference between the 1930 low and these peaks is just over 1 book per capita (37%).

Following the 1939 peak of 4.4 books per capita, there was a gradual but steady decline to a low of 3 per capita (a little below 1930) in 1949. The fact that this lowest point in 30 years coincides with the first full year of television broadcasting in this area (a phenomenon observed by libraries all over the country) leads us to term this the "television slump." Since 1949, the circulation per capita has shown a steady, though not startling, growth. This year the circulation of library books in Minnesota is the largest in history in gross numbers of books, although it has not yet reached per capita figures equal to those of the two peaks of use in the '30s. It is, however, a gain of 26% over the bottom of the television slump.

Minnesota's library circulation statistics are so large that major fluctuations in individual libraries outside the four largest have little influence on the per capita figures. However, individual libraries show a wide variation. Both the highest and lowest per capita figures are found among the smaller libraries. Very low figures are probably a

reflection of the fact that many of these libraries cannot afford enough new or up-to-date books to attract any wide use, or that the library is open so few hours a week that only a few potential patrons find it worthwhile to try to get books from them. The very high figures can often be accounted for by the fact that many of these libraries offer their services free to rural people from the surrounding area. This can easily double the number of library users in a small library. The per capita figures are based only on the population which is taxed for library support. This renders the statistics meaningless for comparison with other libraries. This is not the worst feature of this practice, however. The worst feature is that, by spreading itself so thin, the library is actually depriving the supporting tax payer of a part of his share of a service he is paying taxes to support, and at the same time deluding the rural user into the belief that he can have public library service at no cost. Such practice is a deterrent to the establishment of publicly supported library service in many rural areas. It is actually a great disservice to the public library movement, as well as being a fraud on the taxpayers who are supporting the library.

Contract Service to Rural Schools

The steady decline of public library service contracts with rural schools is a healthy sign. It reflects progress in school reorganization with the resulting improvement of school library service. The ending of school contracts releases the energies of the public library which can then be devoted to its real public library responsibilities. This is regarded as an interim program, and it is to be hoped that it will disappear entirely with the development of school library services. In the meantime, its decline is an indication of continued improvement in both school and public library service.

MINNESOTA LIBRARIES

PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS, 1957

Population (1950 Census)	PLACE	LIBRARIAN	Salary	BORROWERS		Circulation Per Capita	Hours Per Week Open for Lending	RECEIPTS			EXPENDITURES		
				Total	Per Cent of Local Population Registered			Tax Levy in Mills	Public Funds	Other Funds	Total Exclud- ing Balance	Tax Income Per Capita ^a	Per Capita Expenses
				Volume in Library	Includ- ing Non- Resident								
6,310	6,000-10,000 Pop ^b	Gena J. Bakken	\$4,025	13,365	4,035	48	30,792	4.8	36	1,00	9,496	1,162	10,658
7,396 ^c	Anoka	Mrs. Kenneth D. Talbot	\$3,300	11,458	1,190	19	27,638	4.3	38	11,418	407	11,825	1,80
6,995 ^c	Chisholm	Mrs. Ann M. Moes	\$5,881	47,764	3,629	62	83,414	11.9	63	2,50	500	32,785	500
7,685	Cloquet	Mrs. Helen Jensen	\$4,911	26,044	2,987	39	66,326	8.6	54	3.00	21,150	961	22,111
8,175	Columbia Heights	Lucille R. Hawkins	\$4,438	9,747	7,566	82	33,717	4.1	36	8,633	47	8,880	1,08
7,352	Crookston	Mrs. Cleo N. Thompson	\$4,422	17,835	2,418	32	60,306	8.2	48	14,743	639	15,382	2,01
5,787	Detroit Lakes	Mrs. Bertha Beug	\$2,100	13,343	2,287	38	24,920	4.2	30	1,86	5,008	804	5,812
5,474	Ely	Mrs. Ruth Nankervis	\$2,445	9,778	2,225	40	30,433	5.5	40	1,82	11,237	49	11,286
6,740 ^c	Eveleth	Kathleen McCormick	\$4,116	26,580	3,135	46	49,874	7.3	63	8,92	22,000	1,059	23,059
8,193	Farmington	Mary Edwards	\$3,300	20,830	3,747	46	53,444	6.5	36	1,96	9,701	248	9,949
10,088 ^c	Grand Rapids	Mrs. Mata C. Bennett	\$3,360	27,548	3,721	37	73,885	7.3	43 ^d	5.00	22,863	486	23,339
6,560 ^e	Fastlings	Morton H. Fineklestein	\$9	5,617	1,682	3	1,682	3.3	39	5,000	1,000	2,76	1,35
7,595	Honoka	Mrs. Blanche Mountain	\$3,256	19,170	5,824	68	61,499	8.0	21	1,62	16,700	987	17,687
6,260	International Falls	Mari Krundsen	\$5,700	17,523	2,446	39	55,516	8.8	58	4,42	20,218	1,756	21,976
6,717	Little Falls	Barbara Lentz	\$1,383	2,467	36	43,222	6.4	30	3,03	7,556	229	7,786	
5,923	Marshall	Mrs. B. Stevens, Sr.	\$1,740	13,383	2,467	36	43,222	6.4	48	3,32	6,364	111	6,564
5,459	Montevideo	Mrs. Frances Bergh	\$2,062	1,1,935	2,950	64	18,170	3.3	28	4,525	4,525	4,525	83
9,348	New Ulm	4,011	21,332	2,470	26	92,918	9.9	57	2,63	16,214	12,075	27,289	
7,487	Northfield	Emma B. Overvag	\$3,600	8,987	3,300	44	32,281	4.3	42	4,44	9,049	411	9,459
5,269	Pinestone	Mrs. John G. Strong	\$1,874	21,734	2,536	47	40,605	7.7	35	2,65	7,434	617	8,051
7,754 ^c	St. Peter	Mrs. Marion M. Hausecke	\$1,748	9,552	3,758	70	15,974	2.9	30	2,50	5,142	825	5,967
7,674	Stillwater	Gertrude Glemon	\$3,480	30,334	5,282	69	37,119	4.8	59	4,93	14,701	1,013	15,714
6,926	Thief River Falls	Frances H. Shanahan	\$3,420	23,064	7,320	77	18,928	5.3	49 ^d	10,649	1,129	11,678	1,62
9,410 ^c	Willmar	Burton L. Sundberg	\$5,500	12,777	6,389	77	44,027	5.3	54	3,87	16,808	515	17,323

^aSee statistics on county and/or rural school library service.

^bBased only on receipts from city levy or appropriation for public library.

^cIncluded state institution residents who receive state-supported service. Per capitae are based only on local population.

^dIncludes immediate environs served.

^ePublic library giving school service.

^fSchool library serving as public library.

^gSalary paid by school board.

^hNot computed as county figures are included in total.

ⁱNo tax levied. Receives appropriation from general fund.

^jIncludes county circulation.

PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS, 1957

MINNESOTA LIBRARIES

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Population (1950 Census)	Place	Librarian	Borrowers			Receipts			Expenditures										
			Volumes in Library	Total Including Non-Resident	Per Cent of Local Population Registered	Hours Per Week Open for Lending	Tax Levy in Mills	Public Funds	Other Funds	Total Excluding Balance	Tax Income Per Capita ^a	Books, Periodicals, Bindings & Aud. Vis.	Salaries Exclusive of Janitor	Total Operating Expenses	Per Capita Expenses				
2,500-5,000 Pop. ^b	2,502 Bayport	Floyd E. Keller	No report receive d.	2,144	55	19,110	5.6	30	2.02	3,211	432	3,643	.94	469	2,643	3,563	1.05		
3,398 Benson	Nina Brown	Mrs. Jean M. Goldsberry	2,400	12,847	2,138	56	18,569	4.8	33	4,281	79	4,360	1.11	902	2,012	3,345	.87		
3,843 Blue Earth	Mrs. Walter Heinrich	Mrs. C. D. Bloomfield	2,220	9,005	1,256	35	18,157	6.0	13 1/2	2,950	86	3,036	.81	1,679	1,783	4,183	1.15		
3,923 Breckenridge	Mrs. Eva M. Hineline	Mrs. Eva M. Hineline	775	8,887	923	33	6,523	2.2	10	1,273	12	1,273	.46	251	1,939	1,039	.37		
2,777 Crosby	Mrs. Carl D. Mayer	Mrs. F. P. Berlin	783	5,550	1,016	36	10,263	3.6	7	2,286	141	2,341	.79	776	783	1,039	.37		
2,801 Granite Falls	Mrs. F. P. Berlin	Mrs. B. E. Palmer	1,200	7,697	1,325	68	21,227	7.9	20	3.00	3,000	291	3,291	1.13	817	1,674	1,391	.60	
2,511 Granite Falls	Mrs. B. E. Palmer	Mrs. Mabel C. Schulte	705	7,733	1,344	54	16,195	6.0	12	2,735	125	2,860	1.00	662	667	2,058	.82		
4,690 Hutchinson	Mrs. L. L. Johnson	Mrs. L. L. Johnson	3,000	13,265	2,252	33	26,020	7.6	35 1/2	3,360	8,608	377	8,985	1.84	2,045	3,694	8,188	1.75	
3,313 Jackson	Mrs. Gale H. Block	Mrs. Gale H. Block	1,384	9,010	686	20	18,021	5.4	12	2,041	135	2,106	.62	610	1,384	2,073	.63		
3,457 Le Sueur	Mrs. M. C. Johnson	Mrs. M. C. Johnson	2,713	9,362	1,356	32	15,737	4.5	41 1/2	2,777	5,523	1,128	4,651	1.02	1,073	1,073	1,073	.53	
4,608 Litchfield	Mrs. M. C. Johnson	Mrs. M. C. Johnson	1,280	4,966	1,303	41	12,360	5.4	15	2.00	2,976	1,281	4,280	1.00	788	1,078	1,350	.53	
3,650 Lyle	Mrs. M. C. Johnson	Mrs. M. C. Johnson	2,700	12,360	2,266	34	29,691	6.4	31	3.00	6,243	1,000	6,243	1.10	788	1,078	1,350	.53	
3,811 Morris	Mrs. M. C. Johnson	Mrs. M. C. Johnson	1,500	8,943	1,663	43	13,726	5.5	30	1,48	2,879	389	7,242	1.35	1,156	1,156	3,062	.53	
4,738 North Mankato	Mrs. E. Grove	Mrs. E. Grove	2,280	13,726	2,526	65	22,345	5.8	34	2,69	4,541	729	3,241	.79	497	1,190	7,039	.13	
4,248 North St. Paul	Mrs. Isabelle M. Johnson	Mrs. Isabelle M. Johnson	1,836	7,106	1,629	34	18,710	3.9	35 1/2	2,86	3,800	252	4,052	1.19	1,291	1,453	2,883	.95	
2,557 Northville	Mrs. Leona O'Leary	Mrs. Leona O'Leary	2,500	8,000	1,333	26	24,453	5.7	25 1/2	1.70	4,130	151	4,281	.79	1,322	1,469	4,786	.95	
3,027 Park Rapids	Mrs. Ada M. Theisen	Mrs. Ada M. Theisen	2,000	8,009	1,195	37	16,682	6.4	26	2.62	4,489	444	4,943	1.76	1,279	1,422	4,422	.92	
3,813 Redwood Falls	Esther McCollo	Esther McCollo	780	8,140	1,428	45	29,105	9.6	15	2.30	3,198	198	3,396	1.76	1,232	1,384	4,998	.92	
3,861 Tracy	Mrs. B. E. Worsell	Mrs. B. E. Worsell	2,280	11,477	1,624	39	36,986	9.6	28 1/2	4.25	8,097	677	8,774	1.76	891	1,733	2,073	.77	
3,140* St. Paul	Mrs. George Adrian	Mrs. George Adrian	11,621	1,417	37	18,666	5.6	30	4.25	2,225	113	2,338	.58	1,442	1,500	3,642	.53		
3,410* St. Paul	Melvin Johnson	Melvin Johnson	10,057	2,360	1,300	53	43,535	6.8	40	5.00	5,860	423	5,245	1.22	1,752	3,112	6,578	.53	
3,176 Silver Bay	Mollie Perlowski	Mollie Perlowski	9	74,948	684	100	74,941	5.8	38	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	.77	
3,278 Sleepy Eye	Mrs. John P. Davidson	Mrs. John P. Davidson	2,100	2,300	1,737	53	2,381	7	6	2.50	1,245	52	1,245	1.22	1,245	1,245	1,245	1.22	
2,574 Springfield	Helen C. Domrowski	Helen C. Domrowski	1,160	6,080	6,080	1,340	19,704	6.0	24	1.20	2,906	37	2,943	.89	243	65	335	.11	
2,782 Staples	Mrs. Lowell Hartwick	Mrs. Lowell Hartwick	724	5,387	5,387	1,340	52	13,428	5.2	13	1.20	1,493	1,486	1,493	.89	654	1,190	2,795	.85
3,020 Tracy	Elsie M. Albrecht	Elsie M. Albrecht	864	7,091	7,091	21	24,848	8.9	24	3.00	1,493	286	1,486	.47	860	724	1,638	.64	
4,400* Two Harbors	Mrs. James Finnigan	Mrs. James Finnigan	1,620	11,197	3,353	11	14,940	4.9	28	2.21	2,540	156	1,649	.64	669	884	1,591	.57	
3,958* Wadena	Mrs. Alice W. Hamilton	Mrs. Alice W. Hamilton	2,023	21,233	3,043	61	19,329	4.2	42	4.51	4,789	88	2,628	.84	1,002	1,207	4,905	.77	
3,646 White Bear Lake	Rose V. Wagner	Rose V. Wagner	103,825	9,046	1,041	26	718,841	1.00	40	1.30	2,255	445	5,234	1.00	1,207	1,207	7,327	.92	
3,165 Windom	Mrs. E. T. Butler	Mrs. E. T. Butler	1,225	7,412	2,409	66	30,678	8.3	24	2.18	9,826	973	10,799	.57	827	3,825	75,082	.53	
	Mrs. Arthur Christensen	Mrs. Arthur Christensen	1,225	4,966	787	24	13,116	4.1	20	2.30	3,300	179	3,470	1.04	1,102	2,084	4,335	1.19	
														822	1,265	2,515	.79		

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^ePublic library giving school service.

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^hSalary paid by school board.

ⁱSalary paid in part by school board.

^jNot computed as county figures are included in total.

^kNo tax levied. Receives appropriation from general fund.

^lIncludes county circulation.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS, 1957

Population (1950 Census)	Place	Librarian	Salary	Borrowers		Circula- tion Per Capita	Hours Per Week Open for Lending	Receipts			Expenditures		
				Total Volumen in Library	Per Cent of Local Popula- tion Regis- tered			Tax Levy in Mills	Public Funds	Other Funds	Total Exclud- ing Balance	Tax Income Per Capita ^a	Salaria- ge Exclusi- ve of Bind- ing & Aut.
					Inclding Non- Resident								
2,121	1,000-2,500 Pop. ^b			409	1,506	350	17	1,236	6	1.00	663	8	671
2,079	Aitkin	Mrs. Louise Tufte	\$1,020	5,638	1,280	59	3,880	1.7	24	3.40	2,423	64	2,487
2,256	Appleton	Mrs. Pearl Baker	.....	613	6,378	1,011	45	6,895	3.0	12	1,598	51	1,649
1,371	Aurora	Mrs. I. Osmundson	.....	1,658	6,446	726	53	19,155	13.9	14	2,31	3,993	2.91
2,708	Belle Plaine	Mary Turk	.....	150	3,522	246	14	2,063	1.5	6	626	16	642
1,333	Bird Island	Mrs. H. R. Miller	.....	480	4,189	532	40	6,178	4.6	7	1,50	773	35
1,245	Big Island	Mary M. Myers	.....	150	78,101	1,165	.....	1,133	2	2	300	24	300
1,320	Biswabic	Mrs. Helmi Wanganiekski	.....	2,442	12,165	657	40	12,921	9.1	38	4,56	6,983	143
1,117	Brown Valley	Mrs. Barbara Piechnowski	.....	600	3,022	481	43	2,869	2.1	15	5.00	1,488	30
1,914	Bufile	Mary Jane	.....	695	6,277	478	25	8,860	4.6	10	1.57	1,498	127
1,462	Caledonia	Mrs. Jeanne Stafason	.....	3,120	3,168	628	43	18,868	9.3	40	2.66	9,000	62
2,243	Canby	Mrs. Julia Schroeder	.....	720	7,390	1,473	52	4,896	2.1	20	2.33	1,721	131
2,173	Chatsfield	Mrs. Anne Lortie	.....	720	11,130	1,508	51	21,174	9.7	20	1,440	621	2,061
1,605	Chaska	Mrs. Alberta Wilson	.....	1,320	6,922	1,239	49	6,935	3.0	28	1.884	401	2,285
1,106	Clera City	Mrs. Gordon H. Fischer	.....	264	4,007	683	62	4,181	3.7	8	12	400	230
1,403	Cokato	Mrs. Martin Kiviranta	.....	9	75,818	1,085	.....	1,085	7	35	300	300	36
1,321	Coleraine	Mrs. C. S. Smith	.....	3,360	16,355	1,439	65	16,919	14.7	51	1.53	8,512	512
1,834	Dawson	Mrs. Lois Trotter	.....	780	4,062	692	26	7,099	3.8	17	1.12	9,084	644
1,386	Delano	Barbara Trueman	.....	159	1,069	420	30	1,076	8.8	4	3.263	500	3,763
1,399	Elk River	Mrs. Zella M. Page	.....	1,147	6,528	715	50	5,314	3.7	15	3.49	2,019	54
1,143	Fairfax	Mrs. Mary La Fontaine	.....	329	4,529	256	21	3,286	2.8	8	12	500	3
1,916	Farmington	Mrs. Coral Honoma	.....	390	1,739	1,350	70	6,160	3.2	10	200	62	262
1,089	Foley	Mrs. Al Herbrand	.....	464	4,109	675	53	7,033	6.4	2.80	923	53	85
1,014	Fosston	Ester Lade	.....	2,561	400	25	4,169	2.5	32	1.60	414	243	657
1,149	Fulda	Genevieve Hyslop	.....	No report	10,635	66	22,205	9.8	61	12	8,275	117	8,392
2,247	Gilbert	Mrs. Rudy Wuoila	.....	2,090	634	58	1,960	1.8	16	1.50	788	137	1,337
1,078	Grand Marais	Mrs. Cecilia M. Taylor	.....	360	2,012	213	14	2,382	1.5	5	12	130	13
1,652	Hallie	Mrs. Lotte Pearson	.....	57	657	47	6,096	4.5	21	3.00	1,553	185	1,728
1,353	Kasson	Arena C. Jensen	.....	1,080	4,675	617	32	17,841	2.5	46	1744	10,476	11,220
1,807	Keweenaw	Alma L. Lewis	.....	9	714,476	3,569	576	4,169	2.5	8	12	560	636
1,651	Keweenaw	Sedora Underdahl	.....	410	3,251	400	25	4,169	2.5	32	1.60	532	53
1,208	Lamberton	Mrs. George Arnold	240	2,242	235	17	2,547	2.0	5	1.22	575	43
2,443	Long Prairie	Mrs. Ermin Reichert	705	5,124	791	32	7,241	2.9	42	1.22	792	32

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PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS, 1957

Population (1950 Census)	PLACE	LIBRARIAN	Salary	BORROWERS		Circulation Per Capita	Hours Par Week Open for Lending	Tax Levy in Mills	RECEIPTS			Books, Period- icals, Bind- ing & Aud.	Salaries Exclusive of Bind- ing & Aud.	Total Oper- ating Expen- ses	Per Capita Expen- ses			
				Total Volum- es in Library	Includ- ing Non- Resident				Total Circula- tion	Public Funds	Other Funds							
1,000-2,500 Pop'n.																		
2,303	Madison	Mrs. C. W. Kells	\$1,977	11,846	1,101	31	18,676	8.1	33	2,550	989	3,579	1,12	1,011	1,977	3,369	1.46	
1,274	Minneapolis	Mrs. J. R. Culshaw	232	3,403	1,007	79	4,660	3.6	6	1,00	503	61	564	.39	207	232	.37	
1,913	Montgomery	Mrs. Lena Lehman	582	547	29	.4	5,062	2.6	18	12	800	22	822	.42	86	720	.42	
1,231	Monticello	Mrs. Laila Sundstrom	100	458	45	5	780	.6	312	1,00	927	75	413	1.57	113	689	1.81	
1,6034	Moose Lake	Mrs. Newell Anderson	264	3,079	206	52	3,629	9.5	54	2,00	598	258	856	2.52	370	3,496	5,217	
1,377	Mountain Iron	Mrs. Geo. A. Kakela	2,400	13,281	1,094	56	18,550	13.4	54	5,00	5,216	52	5,216	3.79	718	894	1,740	
1,733	Mountain Lake	Mrs. Susan Klewer	840	5,973	1,100	63	14,099	8.1	1912	2,50	1,828	124	2,552	1.05	2,552	13,156	1.00	
2,029	Nashawauk	Mrs. Florence Hampton	716	6,669	1,149	33	23,038	8.1	1912	46	1,00	13	13,156	1.05	2,200	10,709	713,156	
1,672	Newport	Mrs. Frances Armstrong	936	4,094	681	33	7,328	4.3	18	1,00	2,225	255	2,480	1.33	643	936	3,864	
2,012	Olivia	Mrs. Lloyd E. Warner	816	6,314	957	45	13,382	6.6	13	2,20	1,800	97	1,897	.89	740	816	1,626	
1,503	Payneville	Mrs. G. E. Johnson	648	4,632	449	27	9,577	6.3	15	3,00	1,600	50	1,650	1.06	727	648	1,599	
1,937	Pine City	Mrs. Eleanor Hinze	1,050	9,099	1,237	64	8,454	4.3	12	3,00	2,190	60	2,251	1.13	1,066	1,050	2,480	
1,298	Pine Island	Mrs. Clara E. Dickman	1,500	9,360	2,082	95	18,196	14.0	44	3,75	6,560	65	2,565	1.93	342	1,500	2,297	
1,524	Plainview	Mrs. Verne Herman	1,020	6,012	644	37	4,792	3.1	19	2,26	1,532	65	1,597	1.01	250	1,020	1,400	
1,399	Renton	Mrs. Dora E. Klein	840	5,674	473	28	5,257	3.7	19	2,12	1,294	41	1,335	.92	260	840	1,305	
1,733	Red Lake Falls	Harold Spars	76703	1,073	1,073	1	28,009	1.09	41	15	3,00	17	3,00	.17	284	1,294	.16	
2,231	Roseau	Mrs. Pearl Lundquist	1,320	4,723	1,075	48	11,187	2.7	21	2,81	1,320	576	1,896	.69	1,382	1,890	.86	
1,270	Rushford	Mrs. Roy Stephens	360	6,842	185	14	8,818	6.9	4	1,50	1,000	380	1,797	.65	420	360	1,101	
1,548	St. Charles	Mrs. Carl Benedict	960	5,915	797	41	9,287	5.9	20	2,00	639	38	1,797	.65	747	960	1,766	
1,0974	Sandstone	Mrs. Daisy B. Martin	480	5,162	692	96	3,737	5.1	8	2,00	3,361	38	3,399	1.78	435	544	1,75	
1,887	Shayton	Mrs. John W. Keyser	1,250	6,373	703	37	13,505	7.1	25	5,00	2,000	272	2,272	1.81	1,530	1,250	3,399	
2,467	Spring Valley	Mrs. Bertha Rafferty	1,110	7,236	1,298	50	10,744	4.3	34	5,00	1,600	135	1,733	1.34	771	1,110	2,322	
1,163	Stewartville	Mrs. Cleva Smith	1,170	3,893	970	81	7,245	4.3	34	1012	1,600	135	1,733	1.34	183	1,170	1,059	
1,121	Tyler	Mrs. Eugene Wills	No report received	1,073	1,073	1	11,187	2.7	21	2,81	1,320	576	1,896	.69	1,382	1,890	.86	
2,468	Wabasha	Mrs. Clara G. Pfeiffer	1,200	6,723	720	29	8,707	3.5	17	12	1,300	68	1,368	.63	565	1,200	1,925	
1,192	Walker	Florence Stein	960	5,743	445	28	3,976	3.3	1012	1,251	100	1,351	1.05	281	960	1,636	.78	
1,779	Warren	Edna Palmer	90	1,795	1,152	44	1,152	.6	44	12	100	287	387	.06	81	90	285	.16
1,627	Waterville	Mrs. Hazel M. Amundson	300	4,265	494	30	3,314	2.0	12	731	30	761	45	159	300	528	32	
2,127	Winebaggo	Florence Damon	1,200	4,486	2,155	83	6,006	2.8	15	2,00	1,400	12	1,400	.66	143	1,200	1,423	.67
1,686	Zumbrota	Mrs. James Clark	1,380	7,795	1,435	49	16,566	9.8	18	12	3,400	329	3,729	2.02	677	1,398	2,508	1.40

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PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS, 1957

POPULATION (1950 CENSUS)	PLACE	LIBRARIAN	SALARY	BORROWERS		CIRCULATION PER CAPITA	HOURS PER WEEK OPEN FOR LENDING	RECEIPTS			EXPENDITURES				
				VOLUMES IN LIBRARY	TOTAL INCLUDING NON- RESIDENT			TAX LEVY IN MILLS	PUBLIC FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL EXclud- ING BALANCE	TAX INCOME PER CAPITA ^a	BOOKS, PERIOD- ICALS, BINDING & AUD. VIA.		
929	Bandette	Mrs. O. Engb...	406	44	6,689	7.2	4½	12	600	100	700	.65	330		
659	Belgrade	Mrs. E. P. Poverud	233	33	1,430	2.1	10	12	507	14907	145	320	670		
732	Blackduck	Mrs. Magda Bogart	No report	2,194	2,944	212	29	2,966	4.0	5	213	.29	233		
735	Browerville	Mrs. Mary Welsboki	120	29	5,168	6.0	28	12	1,388	372	1,760	1.63	99		
854	Calumet	Mrs. Sophie Niegovan	1,460	324	29	2,944	324	6.8	12	1,310	25	1,435	2.17	120	
650	Carlton	Mrs. H. V. LeMaster	600	26	4,425	6.8	12	3.00	1,300	1,300	1,63	.507	1,265		
961	Edgerston	Incomplete report	600	186	5,779	343	19	9,815	10.2	8	1,589	85	1,674		
962	Grand Meadow	Mrs. John D. Day	600	2,078	2,025	266	2.9	10	5.00	828	78	906	1.08	600	
762	Henderson	Mrs. Ada Schlegler	402	24	3,814	5.0	6	5.00	625	28	653	.82	402		
902	Hinckley	Margaret Polta	874	48	11,245	25	25	5.00	1,157	124	1,281	.25	347		
931	Howard Lake	Mrs. Anna E. Bark	960	3,514	604	65	8,735	9.4	12	618	1.24	124	1.317	960	
828	Ironton	Mrs. Mage Rausch	427	604	5,068	621	72	5,361	6.4	8	1,281	.88	461		
612 ^b	Kinney	Mrs. Gladys Sande	750	236	8,198	76	6,063	10.9	19	1,003	15	1,018	1.21	323	
863	Lake Benton	Mrs. Helen Hallman	660	580	4,086	61	3,903	4.5	13	2,010	146	2,619	.98	1,89	
959	Le Roy	Mrs. Marie Enke	415	42	4,201	490	42	3,647	3.8	10	3,311	197	728	1.62	2,33
729	Lindstrom	Elizabeth Ann Price	461	426	57	911	1.2	2	1,68	1,283	38	1,321	1.34	415	
881	McIntosh	Mrs. M. D. Hafermann	180	2,010	426	57	911	1.2	2	500	10	510	.69	389	
196	McKinley	Dolores Narveson	400	228	25	5,411	6.1	11	11	1,058	61	1,119	1.20	180	
867	Marble	Mrs. H. Stenson	2,600	98	50	5,329	8	6	12	1,300	21	1,321	.63	400	
507	Maynard	Mrs. Harry Dochen	1,500	498	4,641	4,641	5.3	25½	48	2,164	24	2,188	2.50	325	
949	Morgan	Mrs. A. E. Hartzel	226	113	6,841	22	2,232	4.4	8	1,682	13	1,682	1.58	976	
520	Taylors Falls	1,080	4,462	710	75	15,778	16.6	26	2.00	1,414	2,750	1.49	1,106		
693	Wabasso	Frances R. Murdoch	300	5,537	197	38	2,457	4.7	9	588	33	621	2.02	2,23	
837	Watertown	Dorothy Starken	600	4,096	448	65	5,072	7.3	14	400	1,217	1,617	.58	600	
		Lucille Schilling	240	2,020	70	1	3,216	3.8	10	400	50	450	.48	403	

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^cIncludes immediate environs served.

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³Endowment funds.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICE, 1957

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COUNTY	Population Served	LIBRARY	LIBRARIAN	Book Stock	Registered Borrowers	Circulation	Circulation Per Capita	Branches	Locations	DISTRIBUTING POINTS		Receipts	Books, Periodicals, Binding & Aud. Vis.	Salaries or Services	Total	Expenditures Per Capita
										Ex. Levy	Ex. Levy					
Anoka	20,082	Anoka Public Library	Mrs. Kenneth D. Talbot	4	4	4	4	0	0	6	400	400	4	4	4	4
Blue Earth	19,518	Colunmia Hgts. Pub. Lib.	Lucille R. Hawkins	35,774	4,743	105,819	5,40	0	0	6	400	400	4	4	4	4
Clay	16,433	Blue Earth Co. Lib., Mankato	Mrs. Margaret Creweell	2,519	55,975	3,61	2	13	1,00	14,910	14,910	77	4,230	12,416	18,899	
Dakota	24,048 ^a	Moorehead Public Library	Mrs. Borghild Jacobson	4	4	4	4	0	2	1,40	14,400	14,400	33	3,820	8,577	14,850
Grant	9,452 ^a	Farington Public Library	Mrs. Coral L. Honola	4	4	4	4	0	0	6	1,500	1,500	4	4	4	4
Hennepin	144,682	South St. Paul Public Library	Mrs. Dorothy Jordstad	4	510	4,532	18	0	0	6	1,500	1,500	4	4	4	4
Hennepin Co. Lib., Mpls	14,123	Elbow Lake Library	Mrs. Lloyd Haraldson	4	4	4	4	0	0	6	1,500	1,500	4	4	4	4
Iananti	14,305	Hennepin Co. Lib., Mpls	Helen A. Young	165,526	36,052	803,801	6,17	24	47	2,00	246,195	1,70	62,322	750	134,188	244,282
Itasca	9,162 ^a	Kanabec Co. Lib., Mora	Mrs. W. H. Niemann	9,495	2,331	31,011	2,56	0	10	2,00	10,505	04	5,092	6,655	5,092	1,69
Kandiyohi	19,254	Kandiyohi Co. Lib., Willmar	Mrs. J. C. Martin	28,544	2,072	32,242	2,25	4	9	2,00	10,505	04	7,178	8,736	7,178	61
Koochiching	10,641 ^a	International Falls Pub. Lib	Mrs. Edw. Schultz	8,778	1,204	15,219	1,65	0	5	50	1,500	16	500	850	1,394	15
Lake	3,381 ^a	Two Harbors Pub. Lib	Mrs. Anita M. Stach	17,722	1,032	29,555	1,54	0	12	75	9,260	48	5,673	8,772	18,894	98
Lyon	12,036	Marshall-Lyon Co. Lib	Mrs. Marie Kaudison	4	1,957	30,143	2,83	0	9	2,00	2,266	21	4	4	4	4
Martin	17,462	Marin Co. Lib	Mrs. Alice W. Hamilton	4	1,243	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meeker	14,358 ^a	Edwin J. Hughes	Mrs. R. B. Stevens, Sr.	26,994	4,175	75,542	4,21	0	0	0	79	775	82	4	4	4
Nobles	22,435	Littlefield Public Library	Mrs. Gertrude Johnson	32,444	3,203	86,488	4,95	0	12	6	14,010	1,16	3,505	13,490	18,302	1,01
Olmsted	17,150	Nobles Co. Lib., Worthington	Wayne R. Bassett	35,446	10,369	10,72	0	0	5	1,60	27,180	1,55	6,262	15,193	26,640	1,53
Pennington	6,039 ^a	Rochester Public Library	Lucille Goffett	5,685	5,685	15,919	5,17	0	15	2,00	38,794	1,04	5,943	20,963	30,094	1,69
Ramsey	36,089	Third River Falls Pub. Lib	Frances Shanahan	4	2,686	39,680	2,31	0	0	0	10,000	08	58	10,000	10,000	0
St. Louis	45,732	Ramsey Co. Lib., St. Paul	Mrs. Ruth E. Palmer	64,247	8,060	112,147	3,10	1	0	5	1,050	1,050	21	4	4	4
"	"	Duluth Public Library	Mrs. Laurette Oren	4	2,051	48,937	4,21	0	0	0	1,80	1,95	10,374	40,881	63,665	1,76
"	"	Ely Public Library	Mrs. Ruth Nankivell	8,905	1,048	10,808	1,375	1	30	5	6,780	04	1,245	5,319	7,154	0
"	"	Hibbing Public Library	Mrs. Katherine Moore	4	2,375	41,444	4,25	0	6	6	4,980	04	1,201	3,962	5,183	0
Stearns	43,257	Virginia Public Library	Mrs. Emmett Sund	4	2,047	26,865	3,866	0	28	5	6,180	04	1,835	3,285	6,180	0
Steere	10,964	Searsm Co. Lib., St. Cloud	Mary C. Baker	21,423	6,150	53,255	1,23	0	7	1,00	6,060	08	1,100	3,751	6,087	0
Waseca	14,357	Owatonna Public Library	Erana M. Stader	4	1,538	23,207	2,12	0	0	0	10,594	38	1,333	13,232	23,182	0
Washington	22,696	Willard J. Donahue	38,270	4,179	70,114	4,70	2	5	60	5,038	46	4	4	4	4	
"	"	Georgette Gleaton	4	3,866	36,216	1,60	0	0	0	2,968	1,48	5,366	11,543	22,253	1,49	
Washington	10,020	Frances Armstrong	4	4	4	4	0	0	0	5,500	24	1,447	2,760	6,279	28	
Watonwan	10,020	Forest Lake Library	Mrs. M. A. Erickson	19,419	650	22,994	2,29	1	8	1,00	100	00	9,027	90	2,156	5,356
Totals	575,962	Watonwan Co. Lib., St. James		541,383	101,306	1,972,382	.....	.....	.....	.....	556,047	.....	120,068	.....	543,839	.....
	478,153															

¹Has County Library Board.

²Does not meet standards for listing. \$5,000 or \$10 per capita whichever is larger.

³Bovey, Cullum, Keweenaw, Marble, Nashwauk and Taconite also receive county funds for over-the-counter service.

⁴The total county fund appropriated is \$10,505.

⁵Public and county library statistics not kept separately.

⁶No tax levied. Receives appropriation from county treasury.

⁷Receives .96 mill from county, 2.32 mills from city of Marshall.

⁸Includes only counties meeting standards for listing.

ASSOCIATION LIBRARY STATISTICS, 1957

PLACE	Population	Book Stock	Circulation	RECEIPTS		EXPENDITURES	
				Village	Other	Total	Per Capita
Annandale	899	1,880	1,181	100	90	492	.55
Askov	387	1,912	894	60	20	85	.23
Bagley	1,554	883	622	164	649	42	
Buffalo Lake	724 ¹	860	4,407	37	24	.03	
Cannon Falls	1,831	3,721	814	323	491	.27	
Canton	459	984	500	8	88	.19	
Cass Lake	1,936	2,463	1,520	241	2,321	1.20	
Chaska	2,008	4,800	5,000	480	53	531	.26
Comfrey	642 ¹	No report received.					
Cook	482	1,579	3,885	420	181	611	1.27
Deerwood	572	1,691	1,017	125	18	116	.20
Dodge Center	1,151	9,900	4,917	572	20	219	.19
Elbow Lake ²	1,398	3,810	240	715	722	.52	
Elmore	1,074	1,300	295			236	.22
Franklin	546 ¹	729			15	25	.05
Hancock	852	2,029	5,205	200	9	264	.31
Harmony	1,022	2,800	3,000	65	185	220	.22
Hayfield	805 ¹	279					
Hector	1,196 ¹	No report received.					
Hendricks	781				169	153	.20
Jasper	840 ¹	764	1,215		19	38	.05
Le Center	1,100	4,103	2,273	300	482	741	.71
Mabel	1,314	2,400	3,810	456	64	482	.37
McGregor	788	2,725	150	50	233	.30	
Mahnomen	322 ¹	No report received.					
Milaca	1,464 ¹	No report received.					
Nerstrand	1,917 ¹				95	27	.02
New York Mills	228	4,050	5,154	100	311	274	1.20
Pelican Rapids	977 ¹	300	50	6	35	.04	
Perham	1,676 ¹	1,675	200		18	2	
Peterson	1,926 ¹	4,950	6,500	300		38	.02
Rose Creek	318	1,435	60			60	.19
Royalton	314 ¹	No report received.					
Rush City	500 ¹	No report received.					
Shafer	1,175	2,142	1,010	200	18	214	.18
Swanville	127					80	.63
Waconia	373 ¹	No report received.					
West Concord	1,569	2,030	3,732	240	51	279	.18
Westbrook	770	1,394	1,542	200	68	171	.22
Wheaton	1,017	2,290	3,500	200	12	178	.17
Williams	1,948	1,000	5,000		200	200	.10
Winthrop	414 ¹	1,200	575			10	.02
	1,251 ¹	No report received.					
Grand Totals	42,647	69,689	67,552	6,924	2,927	10,309	
Population served	26,760						

¹Because of low per capita expenditures (less than 10c) this figure is not included in Population Served.²See table on county library service.

PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS, 1957

SUMMARY

POPULATION DIVISIONS	Number of Libraries	Population Served	BOOK COLLECTIONS		CIRCULATION		EXPENDITURES			
			Number of Volumes in Libraries	Volumes Per Capita	Number of Volumes Loaned	Circulation Per Capita	Books, Periodicals, Binding and Aud. Vis.	Per Capita Expenditures, Books, Periodicals, Binding	Total Operating Expenses	Expenditures Per Capita
Public Libraries:										
Serving over 50,000 population.	3	937,578	1,735,860	1.85	5,293,229	5.6	313,304	.33	2,706,095	2.89
Serving 10,000-50,000 population.	16	270,740	611,567	2.25	1,650,914	6.0	103,403	.38	516,933	1.91
Serving 5,000-10,000 population.	24	172,595	419,769	2.43	1,066,679	6.1	63,147	.37	321,202	1.86
Serving 2,500-5,000 population.	32	109,226	268,430	2.45	636,355	5.8	34,004	.31	123,711	1.13
Serving 1,000-2,500 population.	63	102,880	363,632	3.53	499,969	4.8	35,194	.34	144,195	1.40
Serving less than 1,000 population	25	19,284	97,511	5.05	116,777	6.0	8,240	.43	26,367	1.37
Giving county service.	25	575,962	541,383	.....	1,972,382	.....	120,968	.....	543,839	.....
Association Libraries	43	26,760	69,689	.....	67,552	.....	.....	.....	10,309	.....
State Institution Libraries	20	2	222,731	.....	320,942	.....	5,550	.....	51,532	.....
On the basis of population		2,215,025	4,330,572	1.95	11,624,799	5.2	683,810	.31	4,444,183	2.01
On the basis of total population		2,982,483	4,330,572	1.45	11,624,799	3.8	683,810	.23	4,444,183	1.49

Number of Libraries

Public libraries maintained by tax support or public funds	163
Libraries organized as separate county units	8 ¹
Public libraries maintained by Associations	43
State Institution libraries	20
Total	234

Population of Minnesota (87 counties) 2,982,483

With Public Library Service

Population served by public libraries	1,612,303
Population served through county service	575,962
Population served by Association libraries	26,760
Total population served (74%)	2,215,025

Without Public Library Service

Urban	19,985 ³
Rural	747,473
Total population not served (26%)	767,458

¹Eight organized as county libraries. In addition 17 public libraries give county service.

²Included previously in separate tables for towns and cities.

³Based on 1950 census. Population of urban areas has greatly increased.

CONTRACT SERVICE TO RURAL SCHOOLS

School Year 1956-57

COUNTY	CONTRACTING AGENCY	Number of Schools	Number of Pupils	Books Purchased	INCOME			EXPENDITURES		
					Books	Supplies	Other*	Books	Supplies	Other
Becker.....	Detroit Lakes Publib Lib.	45	919	864	\$1,838.00	\$ 96.00	\$ 918.37	\$1,895.64	\$ 77.56	\$454.34
Beltrami.....	Bemidji Public Library.....	14	611	274	572.40	75.00	1,129.78	461.20	51.66	419.04
Benton.....	St. Cloud Public Library.....	14 ¹	286	352	572.00	28.00	3.56	573.22	28.00	.....
Big Stone.....	Office of County Supt.....	15	243	132	486.00	.....	407.54	515.21	2.10	301.23
Blue Earth.....	Blue Earth County Library.....	19 ²	384	334	716.00	46.00	.....	600.68	46.00	115.23
Clay.....	Clay County Library.....	4	75	91	150.00	10.00	.....	148.29	11.71	.....
Freeborn.....	Albert Lea Public Library.....	18	409	734	819.00	36.00	1,183.06	1,215.61	9.00	54.00
Goodhue.....	Red Wing Public Library.....	1	13	46	19.50	5.00	.....	19.50	5.00	.....
Hubbard.....	Office of County Supt.....	12	294	182	394.30	3.54	489.48	347.58	7.91	71.50
Kandiyohi.....	Kandiyohi County Library.....	52	1,047	1,062	1,970.00	114.00	.....	1,980.39	35.00	.....
Lac Qui Parle.....	Madison Public Library.....	14	152	76	152.00	28.00	.....	152.00	28.00	.....
Lake of the Woods.....	Office of County Supt.....	6	74	96	223.30	52.62	127.06	223.30	52.62	127.06
Lyon.....	Marshall-Lyon Co. Lib.....	3	58	64	132.00	.....	.....	132.01	.....	.....
Martin.....	Martin County Library.....	22	311	196	466.00	220.00	.....	466.00	220.00	.....
Mower.....	Austin Public Library.....	15 ³	261	318	456.75	65.25	.....	456.75	65.25	.....
Nobles.....	Nobles County Library.....	12	617	116	1,204.00	.....	483.49	283.35	.....	.....
Pennington.....	Thief River Falls Pub. Lib.....	13	520	92	230.00	.....	77.29	208.20	.....	.....
Polk.....	Office of County Supt.....	33	522	410	1,044.00	.....	120.03	759.52	17.55	225.13
Ramsey.....	Ramsey County Library.....	26	6,353	3,534	12,211.75	480.00	2,200.89	12,298.64	450.00	.....
Red Lake.....	Office of County Supt.....	8	145	256	242.00	.....	132.63	265.54	.....	.....
Redwood.....	Redwood Falls Pub. Lib.....	18	487	228	974.00	135.00	839.09	738.54	66.51	526.54
Roseau.....	Office of County Supt.....	11	822	373	900.00	62.40	517.15	778.08	62.40	74.86
Stearns.....	Stearns County Library.....	117	2,854	3,250	6,154.00	.....	629.00	6,154.21	.....	849.02
Steele.....	Owatonna Public Library.....	54	917	631	1,348.50	108.00	1,315.08	1,565.41	108.00	667.45
Waseca.....	Waseca County Library.....	15	233	212	330.50	10.00	.....	330.50	10.00	86.16
Washington.....	Washington Co. Library.....	3	236	236	327.50	40.00	.....	327.50	40.00	.....
Watonwan.....	Watonwan Co. Library.....	26	529	316	491.00	52.00	430.64	617.60	29.14	326.90

*Combines balance from previous year.

¹Includes 3 schools in Sherburne County.²Includes 3 schools in Nicollet County.³Includes 4 schools in Freeborn County.

Award Winners

The announcement of the Newbery-Caldecott Awards for 1957 was made Monday afternoon, March 31, by Miss Elizabeth Nesbitt, Chairman of the Newbery-Caldecott Committee from the New York office of Frederic G. Melcher, donor of the medals. The formal presentation of the medals will be made at the Newbery-Caldecott Banquet on Tuesday, July 15, at the Sheraton Palace Hotel in San Francisco during the American Library Association Conference.

Harold Keith, an Oklahoman, receives the Newbery Award for the most distinguished writing in a book for children by an American author in 1957. The book: *Rifles for Watie*, was published by Crowell.

Runners-up: Sandoz, Marie—*The Horse Catcher*.....Westminster
 Enright, Elizabeth—*Gone-away Lake*.....Harcourt
 Lawson, Robert—*The Great Wheel*Viking
 Gurko, Leo—*Tom Paine, Freedom's Apostle*.....Crowell

The Caldecott Award, for the most distinguished illustrations in a picture book for children, goes to Robert McCloskey for *Time of Wonder* published by Viking.

Runners-up: Freeman, Don—*Fly High, Fly Low*Viking
 Galdone, Paul—*Anatole and the Cat* (by Titus).....Whittlesey

School Libraries and The Library Services Act

School librarians are urged to explain to educators—particularly school administrators throughout the country—that library services in rural areas provided under the Library Services Act are not substitutes for libraries within schools.

Mary V. Gaver, Associate Professor, Graduate School of Library Service, Rutgers University, who is President of the American Association of School Librarians, a division of the American Library Association, said:

"The Act provides federal aid for public library services in rural areas and represents a major step in educational development for such areas. It is important, however, that administrators be guided in distinguishing between the functions of school and public library service. A statement has been developed and approved by the AASL and the ALA Public Libraries Division which makes clear these functions. Librarians are urged to duplicate the statement for distribution."

The statement, prepared by the AASL Committee on the Library Services Act, headed by Louise Meredith, Supervisor of Instructional Materials and Libraries, State Department of Education, Nashville, Tennessee, follows:

Because of the recent passage of the Library Services Act, the Board of Directors of the American Association of School Librarians feels that at this time it is important for school and public librarians to review the distinctive functions of school library service and public library service and to distinguish clearly between them. Therefore, the Board of the American Association of School Librarians wishes to confirm the following statement from *Public Library Service*.¹ "Public Library Service to schools is not a substitute for a library within the school. The public library activities should be designed to encourage the growth of school libraries."

The Board of the American Association of School Librarians believes that school library services planned, financed and administered by the Board of Education, are a necessary part of a good educational program. The Board believes further that the development and improvement of such library service to provide for children in school the library resources that are related to the curriculum and needed for an effective school program are primary responsibilities of school administrators and school librarians.

There are many ways in which school librarians can be of service in the implementation of the Library Services Act: (1) by planning and participating in the extension and improvement for library service in rural areas through public libraries; (2) by recruitment of young people for work in libraries; and (3) by cooperation in the development of plans for demonstrations under the Act.

The Board of the American Association of School Librarians takes this opportunity to point out that the purpose of the Library Services Act is "to promote the further extension by the several states of public library services to rural areas."² It believes that if funds provided by this Act were used to finance a library within a school, such use would be contrary to the intent of this legislation and would deter the development of school libraries within the schools.

The Board of the American Association of School Librarians wishes also to enlist the understanding and support of public library personnel for the continuing development of school library service which is an integral part of school administration and of instruction. Public Library personnel can provide such support through interpretation to the lay public of this statement and the statements herein quoted from *Public Library Service*.

Endorsed by the Board of Directors of the Public Libraries Division, June 28, 1957.

¹*Public Library Service: A Guide to Evaluation with Minimum Standards*. Prepared by the Coordinating Committee on Revision of Public Library Standards of the ALA Public Libraries Division. The American Library Association, 1956. \$1.50.

²The Act.

Spreading the Net

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Recruiting for librarianship is vital. The need is not new, and a good deal has been said about it in the professional literature. Yet years of talking to ourselves about it have not produced library school enrollments sufficient to meet a fraction of the demand, and indeed results have been very spotty both as to distribution and quality. I do not intend, however, to present a history of past efforts or the reasons for them. We all believe to some degree in librarianship and in the ideals which contribute to its professionalization. Most of us are aware of the time and difficulty incurred in filling vacancies, while staff members of short-handed libraries struggle with excess loads, fall behind, and compromise with inadequate service. The motive thus exists for recruiting and our whole choice of a livelihood arms us for the persuasion of others to follow in the same path.

If the situation of the past decade, with its thousands of unfilled vacancies, was serious, the orbiting of Sputnik signalled the need for even more vigorous recruiting measures. In every medium of communication we hear urgent words directing the public attention to our educational system, the need for scientists, better teachers, laboratories, information, the means of defense. Are not libraries essential to all of these? Will we not be expected to do more and better jobs? And yet with the dramatic circumstances focusing attention on technicians and teachers will the library schools be able to meet the competition of these other professions?

Various state and national agencies exist which will try to meet this challenge. The A.L.A. Joint Committee on Library Work as a Career should be known to all librarians if only for the publication by its Chairman John Harvey entitled *Action Manual for Library Recruiters*.* S.L.A., A.C.R.L. and some state associations have had more or less formal programs of recruiting, usually through committees specifically or incidentally charged with the responsibility.

Most recently the newly organized Library Administration Division of A.L.A. established a Recruiting Committee which it is to be hoped will assume or coordinate the national effort. This committee met at the Kansas City A.L.A. Conference and felt that its major emphasis during the next few months should be placed on developing a strong recruiting network throughout the nation.

Its plan calls for development of a person-to-person recruiting program by means of regional, state and local representatives as well as specialist representatives for various types of library work. The regional representative will serve as a member of the L.A.D. Recruiting Committee, having responsibility for assisting in the planning, developing, and promoting of the recruiting program. He will also stimulate, advise and provide guidance to the state representatives in his area. With few exceptions, a region will cover the same states as are covered by existing regional library associations.

The state representative chosen and invited to serve by the L.A.D. president will select and enlist the cooperation of local representatives and specialist representatives for various types of library work, and report their names to A.L.A. Headquarters. He should then stimulate and guide local and specialist representatives in their work with prospects, librarians, counsellors, etc.; and develop a state-wide list of quality prospects. The local representatives should be sufficient in number so that a representative will be available within interview distance of any prospect—for example, a 25-50 mile radius.

Local and specialist representatives should seek out prospects in their areas; interview them and determine whether they are quality prospects who should be encouraged to enter the profession; report their names to their state representative; and follow up with material to maintain their interest. Steps are recommended such as supplying prospects with needed information and

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materials, having them visit libraries, meet librarians, and attend special programs for recruits held at various library meetings. The local representatives should also follow the same procedures with names of prospects furnished by other librarians, counsellors, A.L.A., etc. (A.L.A. now has a list of several hundred names to pass on.) They should work with librarians in the locality to encourage them to be constantly alert to find prospects on their staff, among their student assistants and patrons and to bring them to the representative's attention for follow-up. Work with counsellors is urged to promote their appreciation of the career possibilities of librarianship and to get them to report likely individuals for follow-up. Participation in career days, talks at student library association meetings, discussion of librarianship as a profession at meetings of civic, business, and other organizations and groups are all helpful.

To assist the representatives at all levels, materials and suggestions will be sent periodically from A.L.A. Headquarters on the various types of recruiting activities mentioned. Thus a nation-wide network of recruiters will be developed close to communities where students at the graduate, undergraduate and senior high school age level will be found. Ease of access will make the search for and screening of prospects, and the subsequent follow-up both a personal and a coordinated national effort.

L.A.D. had first considered turning over the implementation of this program at the state and local level to the Recruiting Committees of the state library associations. It discarded this idea because it did not provide, among other things, the active two-way channel of communication which is basic to the success of the program, nor did it provide for the numbers of recruiters needed in each state, or for the continuity and comparable terms of appointment of such representatives.

Meanwhile the Recruiting Committee of the Minnesota Library Association will gear its efforts to special occasions as it has heretofore. Sponsorship of a booth at the Careers Festival at St. Thomas will continue. At present, taking a cue from M.L.A. President David Berninghausen, our Recruiting Committee is launching a special effort to stimulate recruitment through Minnesota colleges. Since library school stu-

dents are taken from the ranks of college graduates a campaign among college students seems to promise the best opportunity for the time involved.

To help in this campaign the Committee will send to each Minnesota college librarian a monthly letter, each one dealing with some aspect of recruiting. These will cover topics such as appointing a special resource person on the staff, with ready sources of information on library jobs, schools, etc.; working with the campus placement office, obtaining a career interest list, using exhibits and other publicity media, recruiting among student assistants, speaking, counsellelling, and entertaining. It is hoped that if in every college library at least one suggestion from each letter will be put into practice, the cumulative effect on the campus and in Minnesota will be significant.

Needless to say, this is only a segment of the potential area for recruiting. Public libraries can certainly capitalize on special occasions such as National Library Week to display posters or panels bearing career information. Pages and promising sub-professional personnel on their staffs can be canvassed. School librarians might attempt to follow the Tennessee plan, in which names of student aides going to college are forwarded to the Librarians of the respective colleges. The interest and experience thus made known serve as a point for enlisting prospects early in their college course. And among special librarians are some of the most experienced recruiters the profession knows.

Some concern has been expressed about the quality of applicants if our efforts produce a greater interest than heretofore. Certainly we should avoid encouraging misfits and neurotics. On the other hand we know quite well that there is such variety in library careers as to accommodate many different temperaments and abilities. It stands to reason that if we as recruiters can create wider interest in librarianship, more applications will be made to library schools and they can select students of genuinely professional calibre.

One final observation is offered. Salaries have been rising year by year with the impetus in the past year or two, in colleges at least, shared between the economic law

of supply and demand, and the effort on the part of college administrations to raise all faculty salaries to respectable levels. In effect this is material recognition long overdue and if continued should have a

most salutary effect on recruitment. With the public sharing our concern for better education and intellectual achievement there can be no better time than now to swell the ranks of librarians.

Books make a Home

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County Library Development Progress Report

At present, twenty-five counties are working toward county and multi-county library service under the state and federal aid program for rural library development. Several of these have held meetings and have had some field work done by the State Library Division staff. Others have steering committees, or community chairmen. Still others have officially organized to form county-wide promotional groups, within their own counties.

County library associations have been organized in six counties. These counties have elected officers and committee chairmen who meet together to promote county library development through membership drives, publicity talks, speakers' bureaus, organization endorsement, and petitioning. They are: Cottonwood, Douglas, Jackson, Mille Lacs, Otter Tail, and Wilkin.

One of the state department of education bookmobiles has made 2-4 day visits in twelve counties, Roseau, Kittson, Marshall, Polk, Pennington, Red Lake, Otter Tail, Wilkin, Mille Lacs, Kanabec, Traverse and Jackson with an estimated 15,000 visitors and 4,000 miles driven. The bookmobile exhibit has given the people of these counties a sample of what multi-county library service could be like in their county. The bookmobile is also scheduled to tour Douglas, Todd, and Wadena Counties in May, and several others later in the year.

In addition to these tours, the bookmobile has been on exhibit at various meetings in Chisago, Dakota, Faribault and Scott Counties and will be on exhibit at the district M.L.A. Meetings at Red Wing, Fairmont and Chisholm.

Many counties are working to convince their commissioners to levy the necessary one mill tax before the semi-annual commissioners' budget meetings in July. Others are working toward a referendum in the November elections. In all events, there will continue to be much work and planned publicity during the next month while community organizations are still actively meeting.

Grants Awarded

The rural library development program under the federal Library Services Act and the state grants-in-aid legislation is beginning to show real progress. The big news on this is, of course, the grants which have been made by the State Board of Education. There are now five of them. The applications follow the form published in the September, 1957, issue of *Minnesota Libraries*. The differences between them are in the population served, the plans for use of funds, and the amounts of money involved in the grant and the local funds being spent. These grants and the projects involved are described briefly below:

Anoka County: (est. 1957 pop. 50,000) Grant for the establishment of a new county

library. The county is providing a one-mill tax on its assessment outside the cities of Anoka and Columbia Heights which are already taxed for library purposes. The County Library Board plans to work out cooperative agreements with the two city libraries to create a coordinated system. The new services to be added include a bookmobile, audio-visual services, at least two branch libraries the first year, and the necessary headquarters which will also serve as the local library in the community in which it is located. They plan a staff of nine full-time and two part-time people. Three professional staff members are included in the nine. They plan to spend more than \$15,000 for books the first year.

Total 1958 budget: \$68,572. County taxes: \$10,466. Grant funds: \$58,102.

Nobles County: (1950 pop. 22,435) Grant for the improvement of service in an existing inadequate county library. The county provides a 2-mill tax for library support, and the library is administered by a professional librarian. The plan for improving service includes books and equipment for developing a full-fledged branch in Adrian, a training program for branch and station attendants, mimeograph and dry-copy machine, reference and non-fiction books for the central collection, and temporary or part-time personnel. Part of the grant funds will be used to help promote library development toward a multi-county system in cooperation with contiguous counties. Grant funds will be used to pay half the cost of the new bookmobile.

Total budget: \$53,980. County funds: \$36,150. Grant funds: \$17,830.

Blue Earth County: (1950 pop. 19,425, excluding City of Mankato) Grant for the improvement of service in an existing inadequate county library. The county provides a 1-mill tax for library support, and the library is administered by a professional librarian. The county library is a separate organization from the Mankato Public Library. The plan for improving service includes adding bookmobile service, involving the purchase of a bookmobile and operating costs, strengthening the branches at Mapleton and Lake Crystal with books and equipment, strengthening the reference and non-fiction collections of the entire system, and extra temporary or part-time personnel. The County Commissioners have accepted

the plan and will provide the necessary additional funds for operating the bookmobile after this fiscal year. Part of the grant funds will be used to assist in promoting multi-county development with neighboring counties.

Total budget: \$38,640. County funds: \$20,740. Grant funds: \$17,900.

Clay County: (1950 pop. 15,493 excluding City of Moorhead) Grant for the improvement of service in an existing inadequate county library. The county currently provides a 1.4-mill tax levy for the library, which is administered by a professional librarian as a department of the Moorhead Public Library. Separate accounting is made of county funds. The plan for the improvement of service includes strengthening branches at Barnesville and Hawley and developing one at Ulen, film service, a dry-copy machine and micro-film reader, strengthening the art, science and reference sections of the county book collection, and the addition of temporary part-time personnel. A part of the grant will be used to help promote the development of multi-county library service in neighboring counties.

Total 1958 budget: \$30,950. County funds: \$15,600. Grant funds: \$15,126.

Waseca County: (1950 pop. 14,957) Grant for the improvement of service in an existing inadequate county library. The Waseca County Library received a 2-mill levy from the county and a 3-mill levy from the City of Waseca. It is administered under the Waseca city library board by a professional librarian, Willard Donohue. The plan for the improvement of service includes the purchase of a larger and more adequate bookmobile, the strengthening of branch libraries at Janesville and New Richland, 16-mm projector and tape-recorder, non-fiction and reference books for the central collection, other equipment and some part-time temporary personnel. A part of the grant will be used to help stimulate the development of multi-county service in the area.

Total 1958 budget: \$40,735. County-city funds: \$24,735. Grant funds: \$16,000.

All these counties are interested in joining a multi-county system when the opportunity to do so develops.

There are more eligible counties, some of which are now in the process of preparing plans and applications.

The grants already made total \$125,182 and will establish or improve service for 122,310 people.

The Isanti County Library moved to its new headquarters in the court house on April 18th. The library, formerly located in the Cambridge Village Hall, transferred to its new quarters following redecoration and lighting, addition of new shelving and many new books. An open house was held April 18th and 19th.

The Braham Station of the Isanti County Library has been moved to the Lyle Stoeckel Office and the Isanti Station transferred to the Village Hall.

March activity in the Library Division included bookmobile exhibit-demonstrations in Pennington, Red Lake, Marshall, Roseau, Polk, and Kittson counties by Miss Mayne, and in Wilkin and Otter Tail counties by Miss Hebrink.

During National Library Week the Library Division staff attended meetings in Mille Lacs, Faribault, Martin, Scott and Chisago Counties.

A field trip, with visits to libraries, was made in Todd and Wadena Counties and a bookmobile exhibited in Mille Lacs and Kanabec Counties.

In April, preceding the M.L.A. District Conferences, meetings with regard to the rural library development plan were held in Chisago and Big Stone Counties, while bookmobile demonstrations centered in Traverse and Jackson Counties.

Miss Ethel McIntyre formerly on the staff of the Division of Library Instruction at the University of Minnesota, died at her home in Minneapolis on March 13th, 1958. Miss McIntyre received her B.A. Degree from the University of Minnesota, and in 1930 joined the library staff. Until her retirement in 1953, she supervised the Library School Study Hall and Library.

"Miss Mac," as she was known to her students, was a valued friend to a generation of future librarians.

The Golden Valley branch of the Hennepin County Library, at 33 Winnetka Ave. N. was dedicated in March. Many community organizations cooperated in planning for the opening.

Mrs. C. D. Smith resigned her position as librarian of the Coleraine Public Library recently. Mrs. Smith's work had included many years of service to her community as county and chief librarian.

The Pine Island Public Library Board held its organizational meeting in February. The library had previously operated under the direction of the School Board as a combined public and school library.

Mrs. Jean Marchand is the librarian of the Lakeside branch of the Ramsey County Library. The new branch opened in February.

For the first time in the history of its bookmobile service, the Minneapolis Public Library will introduce evening bookmobile stops beginning June 2nd.

Vandals broke into the Van Horn Public Library at Pine Island in March.

The 15th anniversary of the Martin County Library was celebrated at an Open House on March 18th. Hannis S. Smith attended the ceremony which was held in the recently remodeled and enlarged children's room.

Margaret Mull has become chief of the Central Library, succeeding Elizabeth Bond, who has become Coordinator of the Adult Services for the Minneapolis Library System.

The Owatonna Public Library will share in the estate of S. Ada Stewart who died in February. Terms of the will bequeath funds which may total as much as \$40,000 each to the Owatonna City Hospital, the Owatonna Public Library and the Minneapolis Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children.

Mrs. Medora Morrill, a former trustee of the Chatfield Public Library remembered the library in her will. The library will receive \$5,500, in addition to \$2,000 granted earlier.

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American Foreign Policy

How foreign policy is made. State Department, Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C., October 1957. 16pp. Free. A brief, nicely illustrated pamphlet which describes the role of the citizen in making foreign policy.

Johnstone, Anne Hartwell and Mitchell, Georgianna F., *Making foreign policy: USA*. Carrie Chapman Catt Memorial Fund, Inc., 461 Fourth Avenue, Room 810, New York 16, N. Y., 1953. 43pp. 25c. Outlines clearly, but with attention to detail, the operation of American foreign policy in the modern world.

What should U. S. do in a changing world? (Headline Series.) Foreign Policy Association, 345 East 46th Street, New York 17, N. Y. Nov.-Dec. 1957. 98pp. 35c. A current, up-to-date survey of the major issues of American foreign policy.

Letter to Nikolai Bulganin from President Eisenhower, State Department, Public Services Division, Washington, D. C. January 1958. 19pp. Free. The most recent American reply to Russian proposals for a Summit conference.

Pearson, Lester B., *Where do we go from here?* University of Minnesota Press, Minneapolis 14, Minnesota. November 1957. 20pp. Free. This is a perceptive survey of issues confronting the free world by the Nobel Peace Prize winner.

Trade and Aid

Together we are strong. State Department, Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C. December 1957. 37pp. Free. An excellent pamphlet which clearly demonstrates that the U. S. cannot survive apart from the rest of the world.

Dangerfield, Royden, *Current United States trade policies*. University of Illinois, Insti-

tute of Government and Public Affairs, Urbana, Illinois. August, 1957. 38pp. Free. This is a good review of what promises to be one of the most controversial issues in the present Congress.

The mutual security program. State Department, Superintendent of Documents, Washington 26, D. C. November 1957. 4pp. Free. This speech by Christian Herter, Under-Secretary of State, emphasizes the necessity of our foreign aid program.

Nuclear Arms and Disarmament

Kaempffert, Waldemar, *The many uses of the atom* (Headline Series). Foreign Policy Association, 345 East 46th Street, New York 17, N. Y. May-June 1956. An excellent basic summary of atomic energy, its peaceful and military applications, and some current public discussions.

Crow, James F., *Effects of radiation and fallout* (Public Affairs Pamphlet). Public Affairs Pamphlets, 22 East 38th Street, New York 16, N. Y. October 1957. 28pp. 25c. Written for the layman, this pamphlet clearly outlines the genetic effects of radiation.

Pathway to peace. The Disarmament Staff, The White House, Washington, D. C. 1957. 31pp. Free. A handsome, many-colored publication which sets forth the U. S. disarmament proposals.

Control and reduction of armaments. Subcommittee on Disarmament, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 1957. 23pp. Free. A unanimous report of an important Senate Committee in a critical area of U. S. foreign policy.

Immigration

The fence, The Church Peace Union, 170 East 64th Street, New York 21, N. Y. January 1956. 20pp. 5c. An attractively illustrated pamphlet which raises the basic issue of immigration.

Humphrey, Hubert H., Jr., *The stranger at our gate* (Public Affairs Pamphlet). Public Affairs Pamphlets, 22 East 38th Street, New York 16, N. Y. January 1954. 28pp. 25c. This publication, written by one of

Minnesota's Senators, discusses present policy and proposals for change in our immigration laws.

The Far East

Japan—free world ally. State Department, Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C. November 1957. 55pp. Free. Clearly written and with pictures and maps, this useful pamphlet gives a comprehensive survey of present-day Japan.

Africa

Three new African nations—Morocco, Tunisia, Libya (Background). State Department, Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C. December 1957. 32pp. 25c. North Africa is currently in the news. This publication describes three new nations in the area and outlines some of their problems and our relationship to them.

The Middle East

The Arab world in perspective (Arab World—Special Issue). Arab Information Center, 120 East 56th Street, New York 22, N. Y. November 1955. 29pp. Free. The Arab position on issues in the Middle East is set forth in this pamphlet.

Iraq (Background). Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. November 1957. 15pp. Free. The proposed union of Iraq and Jordan makes this Background publication especially valuable.

The Sudan—Middle East bridge to Africa (Background). Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. January 1958. 20pp. Free. Another in the State Department's excellent "Background" series—good information on a little-known country.

Talking Turkey. Turkish Information Office, 444 East 52nd Street, New York 22, N. Y. 1957. 33pp. Free. This is a "must" for international understanding—handsome and humorous—for all ages.

Southeast Asia

About India. Information Service of India, 2107 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington 8, D. C. October 1957. 32pp. Free. This attractive and extensively illustrated booklet gives a great deal of helpful information about India.

Russian and Eastern Europe

Jorden, William J., *The people of Russia* (N. Y. Times Reprint). New York Times, New York, N. Y. August 1957. 7pp. 10c. This reprint gives several fascinating biographies of eleven Soviet citizens and shows how they live.

Korbel, Josef, *Trouble in the satellites* (Behind the Headlines Series). Canadian Institute of International Affairs, Edgar Tarr House, 230 Bloor Street West, Toronto, Canada. 1957. 16pp. 20c. A good survey of conditions in Eastern Europe with particular attention given to the recent events in Poland and Hungary.

The problem of Hungary (U. N. Review Reprint). United Nations Department of Public Information, New York, N. Y. August 1957. 14pp. 15c. This is a summary of the report of the United Nation's General Assembly's Special Committee to investigate the Hungarian uprising.

The United Nations

Basic facts about the United Nations. United Nations Department of Public Information, New York, N. Y. July 1957. 47pp. 15c. This is an extremely helpful handbook on the organization and operation of the United Nations.

But what has the UN actually accomplished? The United States Committee for the United Nations, 816 21st Street, N.W., Washington 6, D. C. 1957. 11pp. 5c. This booklet answers common questions on what the UN has done and what it cannot do.

A United Nations audit 1957. U. S. Committee for the United Nations, 816 21st Street, N.W., Washington 6, D. C. 1957. 4pp. Free. A good review of facts which every citizen should know about the United Nations.

Frye, William R., *A UN peace force?* (Public Affairs Pamphlet). Public Affairs Pamphlets, 22 East 38th Street, New York 16, N. Y. October 1957, 28pp. 25c. An interesting proposal to prevent local wars from becoming big wars is the theme of this pamphlet.

UNESCO in brief. UNESCO Publications Center, 152 West 42nd Street, New York 36, N. Y. 1957. 48pp. 25c. This is a good

survey of the work of one of the United Nation's best-known specialized agencies.

Who fact sheet. Minnesota Department of Health, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis 14, Minnesota. November 1957. 12pp. Free. This publication was designed to help inform Minnesotans about the World Health Organization which will hold its tenth Assembly meeting in Minneapolis, May 26 to June 14, 1958.

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American heritage. *American heritage book of great historic places.* Simon. 12.50. Might be called a guide book to American history. Lively articles about historic landmarks and the events they commemorate are arranged chronologically and regionally, followed by lists of additional places of interest in each region. The book is lavishly and beautifully illustrated.

Atlantic monthly. *Jubilee; one hundred years of the Atlantic.* Little. 7.50. An anthology of prose fiction and non-fiction and of poetry, selected from materials published in the magazine over its hundred years. A distinguished and stimulating collection.

Brand, Oscar, comp. *Singing holidays; the calendar in folk song.* Knopf. 5.95. An anthology of nearly 100 folk songs suitable for use on various holidays, with music simply arranged for amateurs. There are brief notes about the songs, and delightful illustrations.

Brooks, Leonard. *Watercolor, a challenge.* Reinhold. 12.50. A stimulating guide for anyone interested in painting. Techniques and problems are discussed and demonstrated with many illustrations.

Brooks, Van Wyck. *Days of the phoenix: the nineteen-twenties I remember.* Dutton. 3.95. This second volume of Mr. Brooks' autobiography gives a vivid picture of people and places of the period.

Camp, Wendell, and others. *The world in your garden.* National Geographic Soc. 6.50. A survey of the origins and travels of plants now found in American gardens, with numerous fine colored illustrations.

Cherner, Norman. *How to build a house for \$6,000; fabricating houses from component parts*. Reinhold. pa. 2.95. Also published in cloth-bound edition under title, *Fabricating houses from component parts*, for 7.95. Describes ways of building economically by using present-day materials such as manufactured structural elements. Includes plans of fifteen houses.

Clarke, Arthur. *The making of a moon, the story of the earth satellite program*. Harper. 3.50. The story of the U. S. project that led to the launching of Vanguard. Although written before the actual launching, it gives an excellent description of the process, and also discusses implications of future developments.

Connell, Brian. *A watcher on the Rhine; an appraisal of Germany today*. Morrow. 4.00. An English journalist who has spent several years in Germany since 1946 reports on political, social, and economic developments there.

Cook, James. *Electrons go to work*. (Science for everyman series) Dial. 3.00. One of a popular series of very useful volumes on science discusses the principles of electronics and the development of electronic devices.

Coon, Carleton. *The seven caves; archaeological explorations in the Middle East*. Knopf. 5.75. A popular account of archaeological excavations in the Middle East. The author not only gives an account of the ancient life the excavations reveal, but also describes present-day life as he saw it while he worked there.

Davis, John. *Farmer in a business suit*. Simon. 3.50; pa. 1.00. A history of American farming, told by tracing a fictional farming family through the generations from Massachusetts in 1630 to present-day Oregon.

Dilas, Milovan. *The new class; an analysis of the communist system*. Praeger. 4.50. A one-time associate of Tito, now in jail in Yugoslavia, describes Communism and the difference between its announced ideals and its actual practices.

Donohue, John. "... baffling eyes of youth." Association Press. 3.50. A St. Paul probation officer talks of his work with delinquent boys in the 1930's, and of their response to patient consideration.

Dreher, Carl. *Automation: what it is, how it works, who can use it*. Norton. 2.95. A technical subject in which many non-technical people are interested is here presented in simple and pleasant writing and engaging illustrations.

Esquire. *Fashion guide for all occasions*. Harper. 3.50. One of the few books on clothing for men, this gives practical advice in breezy words. It tells how to judge fit and quality, and discusses the complete wardrobe, clothes for occasions, accessories, and care of clothes.

Ewen, David. *Panorama of American popular music; the story of our national ballads and folk songs, the songs of Tin Pan Alley, Broadway and Hollywood, New Orleans jazz, swing, and symphonic jazz*. Prentice-Hall. 4.95. A welcome survey of fields of music that are given small place in most of the histories, written in Mr. Ewen's usual easy style.

Farre, Rowena. *Seal morning*. Rinehart. 3.50. The author spent the years from ten to seventeen in a remote part of Scotland where her chief playmates were wild animal pets. She writes lovingly and winningly of her life there and of the animals she knew so well.

Feeley, Helen. *The complete book of rug braiding*. Coward. 3.95. A comprehensive book, giving a little history of rug braiding, then directions for making them—planning of materials, dyeing, etc.; techniques for various shapes; suggestions for unusual designs; and fifty pages of plans for specific patterns.

Fischer, Louis. *Russia revisited; a new look at Russia and her satellites*. Doubleday. 4.00. The first part of the book deals with the author's return visit to Russia, and compares conditions now and during his previous stay. The second part tells what is happening in the satellites as he saw them.

Freuchen, Peter. *Book of the seven seas*. Messner. 8.95. An enthusiastic seaman and explorer here writes about all facets of the sea, from science and marine history to tales of pirates and ghost ships, and on to theories of future developments.

Gassner, John, ed. *Twenty best European plays on the American stage*. Crown. 5.75. Contents: Giraudoux—Tiger at the gates; Anouilh—The lark; Turgenev—A month in the country; Husson—My three angels; Giraudoux—Ondine; Giraudoux—The madwoman of Chaillot; Sartre—No exit;

Werfel—Jacobowsky and the Colonel; Chekhov—The sea gull; Obey—Noah; Zweig—Volpone; Fauchois—The late Christopher Bean; Molnar—The play's the thing; Pirandello—As you desire me; Heijermans—The Good Hope; Capek—The world we live in; Ansky—The Dybbuk; Kaiser—From morn to midnight; Benavente—The passion flower; Tolstoy—Redemption.

Hendrickson, Edwin. *Mosaics: hobby and art*. Hill and Wang. 3.50. A currently popular craft is helpfully treated. The book gives information on methods and materials, directions for several specific projects, and a selection of artists' designs.

Johnson, Gerald: *The lunatic fringe*. Lippincott. 3.95. Studies of fourteen "different" Americans, whose ideas were unpopular with their contemporaries. Included are Thomas Paine, Horace Greeley, Ignatius Donnelly, John Peter Altgeld, and Carrie Nation.

Jones, Thelma. *Once upon a lake: the story of Minnetonka and its people*. Ross and Haines. 4.95. We have heard about the heyday of Lake Minnetonka, when its resorts were the height of fashion. This book tells much more, beginning with the glacial period, going on to the Indians and then the pioneers who settled on its shores.

Kesting, Theodore, comp. *The outdoor encyclopedia*. A. S. Barnes. 7.50. A remarkably full and detailed guide to outdoor activities. Contents: Archery; Boating; Cabins; Camping; Cooking; First aid; Fishing; Hunting; Maps and compasses; Mountain climbing; Nature; Outdoor accessories; Pack trips; Photography; Public lands; Shooting; Tanning; Trapping; Travel; Underwater sports; Weather; Winter sports.

Kissinger, Henry. *Nuclear weapons and foreign policy*. Harper. 5.00. An analysis of the devastating impact of atomic power on military and diplomatic planning, and of the change in viewpoint needed to face the challenge.

Lerner, Max. *America as a civilization; life and thought in the United States today*. Simon. 10.00. A comprehensive discussion of the American way of life—history, politics, culture, people, economy, art. Christian Science Monitor says "This is not a book. It is a college course."

Life. *The world's great religions*. Simon. 13.50. A magnificently illustrated volume giving history, beliefs and rituals of six present world religions.

Maass, John. *The gingerbread age; a view of Victorian architecture*. Rinehart. 7.95. A delightful volume of pictures and text, showing not only Victorian architecture but also the way of life it sheltered.

Mehta, Ved Parkash. *Face to face, an autobiography*. Little. 4.50. A blind young Hindu came to the U. S., was admitted to the Arkansas State School for the Blind, and went on from there to Phi Beta Kappa and a scholarship at Oxford.

Michener, James. *The bridge at Andau*. Random. 3.50. Following the crushing of the Hungarian revolt of 1956, some 20,000 refugees fled the country across the bridge at Andau. The author met and talked to many of them before writing this account of the revolt.

Mowat, Farley. *The dog who wouldn't be*. Little. 3.95. A thoroughly delightful book of reminiscence about a most unusual dog owned by the author when he was a boy in Canada.

Muller, Theodor. *The world is full of wonders*. Harper. 5.00. A picture book of great beauty, showing natural and man-made wonders all over the world. Many of the scenes and objects photographed are familiar, but others are little known.

Oberth, Hermann. *Man into space; new projects for rocket and space travel*. Harper. 4.50. One of the pioneers in rocket research tells his theories on the future of space flight—space stations, exploration of the moon, human survival in space, etc.

O'Kane, Walter. *Beyond the cabin door*. Richard R. Smith. 3.50. Random thoughts and appreciative essays on everyday things in nature, illustrated by Francis Lee Jaques.

Packard, Vance. *The hidden persuaders*. McKay. 4.00. A popular account of the use of psychology in advertising and public relations, especially concerned with the technique known as "motivational research."

Payne, P. S. R. *The three worlds of Dr. Schweitzer*. Nelson. 3.75. A biography, written with Mr. Payne's usual excellence, viewing Dr. Schweitzer in the "three worlds" of music, theology, and medicine.

Pepis, Betty. *Guide to interior decoration*. Reinhold. 6.95. A discussion of furnishings and good taste since the 1920's, including interesting material on furniture designers. Includes a wealth of good black-and-white illustrations.

Peterson, Roger, ed. *The bird watcher's anthology*. Harcourt. 7.50. A selection of writings on birds, of such fine and enjoyable quality, and so beautifully printed and illustrated, that the book will interest many people besides bird watchers.

Schubert, Jack, and Lapp, R. E. *Radiation: what it is and how it affects you*. Viking. 3.95. An account for the general reader, of possible dangers from radiation from X-rays and from nuclear bomb fallout.

Scientific American. *The universe* (Scientific American books) Simon. pa. 1.45. This represents another useful and inexpensive series in popular science.

Smith, Bradford, and Smith, Marion. *Why we behave like Americans*. Lippincott. 4.95. A survey of American life—community, family, education, economics, culture, and science—to show the basic characteristics of the nation and its people.

Smith, Robert. "Where did you go?" "Out." "What did you do?" "Nothing." Norton. 2.95. Nostalgic and funny reminiscences of boyhood joys in an earlier generation.

Stockwell, Daisy. *Land of the oldest hills*. Caxton. 4.00. Idyllic picture of life in the Ozark Mountains season by season. With the author we enjoy the beauties of nature, the charms of folkways, and the delights of Ozark cookery.

Sullivan, Walter. *Quest for a continent*. McGraw-Hill. 5.50. A history of Antarctic explorations, by a newspaper correspondent who has been attached to three expeditions. It is a story of courage and suffering, and of an eerily strange land that is becoming increasingly important.

Terasaki, Gwen. *Bridge to the sun*. University of North Carolina. 3.50. Mrs. Terasaki, an American girl, married a Japanese diplomat. She describes their life together, and then the grief that Pearl Harbor brought.

Time. *Three hundred years of American painting*. Random. 13.50. A popular history of American painting, recounted chiefly through informal biographies of the painters, is beautified by over 300 colored illustrations.

Watts, May. *Reading the landscape; an adventure in ecology*. Macmillan. 4.75. A highly readable account of plant antiquities, describing the relationships of living things to their environment.

Wellman, Paul. *Portage Bay*. Doubleday. 4.00. Happy reminiscences of camping and fishing on Shoal Lake, just north of Lake of the Woods. Along with his personal experiences the author blends legends of the country and the people, and includes one chapter on Fr. Aulneau, the missionary whose monument is the church at Warroad.

White, William S. *Citadel: the story of the U. S. Senate*. Harper. 3.75. The U. S. Senate has been called "the most exclusive club in the world." Mr. White gives us a fascinating description of the workings of the "club," including some historical perspective on its organization, sketches of many of its past and present members, and an analysis of the "inner club."

Woodring, Paul. *A fourth of a nation*. McGraw-Hill. 4.50. An appraisal of education in the U. S. (one-fourth of our population is in school), seeking to find the best features of classical and progressive theories and to unite them in a new educational philosophy.

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Fadiman, Clifton. *Any number can play*. World. 4.50.

Hughes, Donald. *On nuclear energy; its potential for peace time uses*. Harvard. 4.75.

Ley, Willy. *Rockets, missiles, and space travel*. Rev. ed. Viking. 6.75.

McCann, Richard. *Delinquency; sickness or sin?* Harper. 3.00.

Marshall, Catherine. *To live again*. McGraw-Hill. 3.95.

Morton, H. V. *A Traveller in Rome*. Dodd. 6.00.

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Palmer, E. L. *Fieldbook of mammals; a unit in a series of aids to conservation*. Dutton. 3.75.

Platt, Rutherford. *The woods of time*. Dodd. 6.75. (Enl. ed. of *Our flowering world*. 1947)

Rowan, Carl. *Go South to sorrow*. Random. 3.50.

Stallings, J. H. *Soil use and improvement*. Prentice-Hall. 5.95.
 Stanley, Shirley Jackson. *Raising demons*. Farrar. 3.50.
 Thurber, James. *Alarms and diversions*. Harper. 4.50.
 Ward, Barbara. *The interplay of East and West; points of conflict and cooperation*. Norton. 3.50.

Fiction

Agee, James. *Death in the family*. McDowell, Obolensky. 3.95. A small boy and girl, living happily and securely in the safe world of a close-knit family, suddenly find their world shattered when their father is killed in an auto accident.
 Bedford, Sybille. *A legacy*. Simon. 3.50. Set in Germany before World War I, this book tells of the intermingled fates of two families, a wealthy Jewish one in Berlin and a privileged Catholic one from Baden. It is not a pleasant story, but is notable for its vivid picture of Prussian Germany.
 Brace, Gerald. *The world of Carrick's Cove*. Norton. 3.95. An old man reminisces about his youth on a Maine coastal island—a life of poverty and struggle, but also of boyhood joys and final accomplishment.
 Burgess, Jackson. *Pillar of cloud*. Putnam. 3.50. A party of pioneers seeking a route to the far West in 1858 are beset by dangers from prairie fires, Indians, and hostility among themselves.

Chase, Mary Ellen. *The edge of darkness*. Norton. 3.50. Beautifully written story of one day in a Maine fishing village. It is the day of a ninety-year-old woman's funeral, and the story is concerned with the thoughts and feelings of the people who knew her.

Cozzens, James. *By love possessed*. Harcourt. 5.00. A much-discussed novel about a successful small-town lawyer whose life is shaken in a period of two days by his own past errors and by present events. There are passages that will offend many readers.

Goudge, Elizabeth. *The white witch*. Coward. 4.95. Historical novel about a half-gypsy girl during the wars between Royalists and Puritans in England.

Housepian, Marjorie. *A houseful of love*. Random. 3.50. A warmhearted story of a large and loving Armenian family in

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 Richter, Conrad. *The lady*. Knopf. 3.00. A novel of bitter family enmity set in New Mexico in the 1880's. The lady is the daughter of a wealthy Spanish-American family and wife of a judge. Her enemy is her sister's ruthless husband.
 Roberts, Dorothy. *Missy*. Appleton. 3.95. A pleasant story of a girl's life. Starting with her childhood as the daughter of a small-town doctor, the book takes her through her growing-up and a brief stay in New York, and then back home to marriage with her childhood sweetheart.
 Robertson, Constance. *Go and catch a falling star*. Random. 3.95. A New York writer, buying an old house in an upstate town as a retreat, becomes engrossed in solving a mystery about the house's former owner.
 Ruark, Robert. *The Old Man and the boy*. Holt. 4.95. Reminiscences of magical days of boyhood, hunting and fishing with an understanding grandfather.
 Sarton, May. *The birth of a grandfather*. Rinehart. 3.75. A middle-aged couple in an aristocratic New England family must adjust to the maturity and departure of their children, to changes among their old friends, and to the beginning of another generation.
 Sullivan, Walter. *Sojourn of a stranger*. Holt. 3.95. The hero of this novel is the son of a Southern aristocrat and his quadroon wife. Growing up in Tennessee before the Civil War, the boy's life is embittered by rejection because of his Negro blood, especially after he falls in love with a Southern belle.
 Tanizaki, Junichiro. *The Makioka sisters*. Knopf. 4.95. The story of four daughters of an upper-middle-class Japanese family and their reactions to the changing world around them.
 White, Nelia. *The gift and the giver*. Viking. 3.95. A quiet, appealing story of an unconsciously domineering woman who comes gradually to realize her fault and the need to free those she loves.
 Withers, E. L. *The house on the beach*. Rinehart. 3.00. A novel of suspense and terror. A twelve-year-old girl discovers that she is the intended victim of a murder plot.

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District Library Meetings

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April 22-May 7, 1958

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, April 22	Red Wing Public Library	9 a.m.-4 p.m.
	Miss Edna Steiner, local chairman	
Wednesday, April 23	Fairmont—Martin County Library	9 a.m.-4 p.m.
	Edwin Hughes and Miss Mary Edwards, co-chairmen	
Tuesday, April 29	Willmar Public Library	9 a.m.-4 p.m.
	Burton Sundberg, local chairman	
Thursday, May 1	Moorhead Public Library	9 a.m.-4 p.m.
	Miss Myrtle Rundquist, local chairman	
Wednesday, May 7	Chisholm Public Library	9 a.m.-9 p.m.
	Mrs. Ann M. Mosca, local chairman	

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

9:00-10:00 a.m.	Registration and coffee hour
10:00-11:00 a.m.	Reports—Minnesota Library Association and Library Division
11:00-12:00 a.m.	Book Selection Policy and Budgeting—Panel and open discussion
12:15- 1:45 p.m.	Lunch
2:00- 3:00 p.m.	Trustees: Responsibility Workshop Librarians: Implementing Book Selection Workshop
3:00- 4:00 p.m.	National Library Week, past and future—Panel and group participation

American Library Association Annual Convention

July 13-19, 1958

Headquarters: Civic Auditorium and Plaza Exhibit Hall
San Francisco, California

American Association of School Librarians

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Headquarters: same as American Library Assn.

Reservations for both A.L.A. and A.A.S.L. may be made through the A.L.A. Housing Bureau, in care of the San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Medical Library Association Convention

June 2-6, 1958

Rochester, Minnesota